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1. The recent death of General Milos Siljegovic, Assistant Director of the Yugoslav Military Academy and prominent member of the Yugoslav Communist Party, was reportedly a suicide. Sometime prior to Siljegovic's death, UDB officers discovered the existence of a Cominformist group among the faculty members of the Academy, and a number of arrests were made by the UDB. The General is believed to have been among those arrested.
2. Since Siljegovic was an influential member of the Yugoslav Communist Party, the revelation that he was sympathetic to the Cominform and the drastic action taken by the UDB created quite a sensation within Party ranks. To hush up the scandal, the Yugoslav government forced the General to commit suicide. In imitation of Hitler on the occasion of General Rommel's "death," Tito ordered funeral ceremonies for General Siljegovic to be conducted at state expense.

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